Setting up of Atomic Power Plants

1210. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased *to* state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up some Atomic Power plants during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the places identified in the country for the establishment of Atomic Power plants ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of Atomic Power Plants included in the Eighth Five Year Plan are as follows :—

1. Tarapur Units 3 & 4 Tarapur, Maharashtra.
2. Kaiga Units 3 to 6 Kaiga, Karnataka.
3. Rajasthan Units 5 & 6 Rawatbhata, Rajasthan.
4. Kudankulam Units 1 & 2 Tamil Nadu.

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Rise in the growth of hazardous chemical industries

@1211. SHRIMATI KAMALA SINHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to monitor the growth of the hazardous chemical industries in the country;

(b) if so, what is the comparative percentage of rise in the growth of hazardous chemical industries in the country dining the last three years (year-wise);

(c) what is the number of chemical mishaps and the estimated number of deaths i:s a consequence thereof since the Bhopal Gas tragedy;

(d) which States have the higher number of hazardous chemical industries and the estimated number of deaths occurred during the last three years in each State; and

(e) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Hazardous chemicals are under licensing under the IDR Act. Nine industrial licences for hazardous chemicals have been granted during the last three years.

(c) to (e) The time and labour involved in collecting the requisite information will not be commensurate with the objectives to be achieved.

Implementation of Supreme Court directives for Bhopal gas victims

1212. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Supreme Court had directed to design a scheme of medical surveillance of the Bhopal gas victims and to set up a 500 bed hospital for the purpose;

(b) whether an appropriate medical group insurance policy was also introduced to cover all the Bhopal gas victims including unborn children of mothers exposed to the poisonous MIC gas; and

(c) if so, what is the present position with regard to the implementation of the directives ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Supreme Court had directed that appropriate medical group Insurance cover may be taken out for compensation to those who though presently a symptomatic and filed no claims for compensation, might become symptomatic in future and to those later born children who might manifest congenital or pre-natal MIC related afflictions.

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(c) The State Government have given free of cost the land for the hospital. The Union Cerbide India Limited (UCIL) and Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) have agreed to finance the hospital to the extent of Rs. 50 crores and the UCC has pledged its shares to a trust in U.K. for payment of funds to the hospital by liquidating the shares. However, in a criminal case filed by the CBI, the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bhopal had issued an order attaching the shares and other movable and immovable property of Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) in India for its non-appearance. The UCIL has gone into an appeal in the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.

Government have decided to take out the medical insurance scheme.

गुजरात स्थित उर्वरक उद्योगों को बढ़ावा देना

1213. श्री गोपाल सिंह जी सोलंकी : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गुजरात स्थित उर्वरक उद्योग अपनी क्षमता के अनुरूप उर्वरकों का उत्पादन नहीं कर रहे हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) वहां क्षमता से कम उत्पादन होने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) सरकार उत्पादन क्षमता को बढ़ाने के लिए क्या प्रयास कर रही है ?

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुआर्डो फेलरियो) : (क) गुजरात राज्य में मुख्य उर्वरक उत्पादन कम्पनियां अर्थात कृषक भारती कोआपरेटिव लि., इण्डियन फारमर्स फर्टिलाइजर कोआपरेटिव लि., गुजरात स्टेट फर्टिलाइजर कम्पनी लि. तथा गुजरात नर्मदा वैली फर्टिलाइजर कं. लि. कुल मिलाकर क्षमता उपयोगिता के संतोषजनक स्तरों पर नाइट्रोजनयुक्त तथा फास्फेटिक उर्वरकों का उत्पादन कर रही हैं ।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Public opinion on new drug policy

1214. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any suggestion from public and drug manufacturers etc. on the proposed drug policy;

(b) if so, the details of the suggestions offered in this regard: and

(c) when Government are proposed to announce the new Drug Policy ?

TOE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI BDUARDO FALEIRO); (a) to (c) The Government has not placed any proposed drug policy but only a Background Note on the Review of Drug Policy 1986 on the Tables of both the Houses to elicit the views/suggestions from Members of Parliament. Various interested groups have written to the Government on this subject.

After discussion in both the Houses the Government would decide on the necessary modifications taking into account the views/suggestions of the Hon'ble Members of Parliament that may emerge.

Proposal for comprehensive Fertilizer Policy

1215. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to work out a comprehensive fertilizer policy in i tune with the new industrial policy; and